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TAGS: PFOR PGOV IMCO WB GW UR US UK FR  
SUBJECT: SOVIET STATEMENT IN IMCO ON FRG OFFICE  
LOCATED IN BERLIN

REFS: (A) 76 STATE 185360 NOTAL;  
(B) 76 BONN 12476 NOTAL

1. ON SEPTEMBER 6, 1976, THE UK HAS REPLIED ON BEHALF OF ALL THREE ALLIES TO A SOVIET PROTEST TO THE INTER-GOVERNMENTAL MARITIME CONSULTATIVE ORGANIZATION (IMCO) CONCERNING THE PARTICIPATION OF A BERLIN-BASED FRG OFFICIAL IN THE WORK OF THE IMCO SUBCOMMITTEE ON THE CARRIAGE OF DANGEROUS GOODS (REFTELS). THE PROTEST HAD STATED THAT THE FEDERAL OFFICE FOR TESTING MATERIALS WAS ILLEGALLY LOCATED IN WEST BERLIN AND THAT ANY  
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MENTION OF THAT OFFICE SHOULD BE EXCLUDED FROM OFFICIAL IMCO DOCUMENTS.

2. THE UK REP HAS NOW PROVIDED THE BONN GROUP WITH COPIES OF A CIRCULAR NOTE FROM THE SECRETARY GENERAL OF IMCO (A1/A/7.05 (NV.4) DATED DECEMBER 3, 1976), TRANSMITTING THE TEXT OF A RENEWED SOVIET PROTEST DATED NOVEMBER 29,

1976. COMMENTS FOLLOW BY SEPTTEL; THE TEST OF THE NEW  
NOTE IS SET OUT BELOW.

3. BEGIN TEXT

THE EMBASSY OF THE UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALIST  
REPUBLICS PRESENTS ITS COMPLIMENTS TO THE SECRETARY-  
GENERAL OF THE INTER-GOVERNMENTAL MARITIME CONSULTATIVE  
ORGANIZATION AND, WITH REFERENCE TO HIS NOTE  
A1/A/7.03 (NV.2) OF SEPTEMBER 24, 1976, INFORMING ABOUT  
THE NOTE VERBALE OF THE PRINCIPAL SECRETARY OF STATE  
FOR FOREIGN AND COMMONWEALTH AFFAIRS OF SEPTEMBER 6,  
1976, HAS THE HONOR, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE INSTRUCTIONS,  
TO STATE THE FOLLOWING.

THE SOVIET SIDE EXPRESSES REGRET AT THE FACT THAT  
THE GOVERNMENTS OF GREAT BRITAIN, FRANCE AND THE UNITED  
STATES OF AMERICA CONSIDERED IT APPROPRIATE TO JUSTIFY  
THE ATTEMPTS OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY TO  
INVOLVE IN THE ACTIVITIES OF IMCO THE FEDERAL DEPARTMENT  
FOR TESTING MATERIALS, WHICH IS ILLEGALLY LOCATED IN  
WEST BERLIN. THE ILLEGITIMATE NATURE OF THE LOCATION  
BY THE FRG OF THE SAID DEPARTMENT IN WEST BERLIN CAN IN  
NO WAY BE ALTERED BY THE FACT THAT THE THREE POWERS, AS  
STATED IN THE NOTE VERBALE OF SEPTEMBER 6, 1976, AGREED  
TO IT IN 1954. AS IS KNOWN, THE RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITY  
OF THE THREE POWERS IN THE WESTERN SECTORS OF  
BERLIN AND IN RELATION TO THEM, ARE BASED ON THE FOUR-  
POWER AGREEMENTS AND DECISIONS OF THE WAR AND POSTWAR  
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TIME. THESE AGREEMENTS AND DECISIONS HAVE NOT GIVEN

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AND DO NOT GIVE THE THREE POWERS ANY AUTHORITY TO  
SANCTION ILLEGITIMATE ACTIONS BY THE FRG WHICH DO NOT  
CORRESPOND TO THE STATUS OF THE WESTERN SECTORS OF  
BERLIN AS A SPECIAL FORMATION WHICH IS NOT A PART OF  
THE FRG AND IS NOT GOVERNED BY IT. THE TIES BETWEEN  
WEST BERLIN AND THE FRG CAN BE MAINTAINED ONLY WITH  
DUE ACCOUNT TAKEN OF IT.

THE SOVIET SIDE CONSIDERS IT NECESSARY TO POINT  
OUT ONCE AGAIN THAT THE LOCATION OF THE FEDERAL DEPART-  
MENT FOR TESTING MATERIALS OF THE FRG IN WEST BERLIN  
IS CONTRARY TO THE QUADRIPARTITE AGREEMENT OF  
SEPTEMBER 3, 1971, AND, THEREFORE, ITS INVOLVEMENT  
IN THE ACTIVITIES OF IMCO IS INADMISSIBLE. THE SOVIET  
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SIDE INSISTS THAT ANY MENTION OF THIS DEPARTMENT  
SHOULD BE EXCLUDED FROM THE OFFICIAL DOCUMENTS OF IMCO.

MOREOVER, IN CONNECTION WITH THE SECRETARY-  
GENERAL'S NOTE A1/A/7.03 (NV.3) OF OCTOBER 18, 1976,  
CONTAINING A COMMUNICATION FROM THE AMBASSADOR OF  
THE FRG, THE SOVIET SIDE WOULD LIKE TO DRAW ATTENTION  
TO THE FACT THAT THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY,  
NOT BEING A PARTY TO THE QUADRIPARTITE AGREEMENT, IS  
NOT COMPETENT TO INTERPRET OFFICIALLY THIS AGREEMENT.  
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